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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A laminate web comprising a liquid pervious first material and a liquid pervious second material attached to said first material, characterized by:
said first material having an effective open area of at least about 10 percent and a plurality of apertures with an effective size of at least 0.2 square millimeters, said second material having an effective open area of at least about 10 percent and a plurality of apertures with an effective size of at least 0.2 square millimeters, said apertures of said second material being aligned with said apertures of said first material, wherein said second material has a hydrophilicity which is greater than the hydrophilicity of said first material, wherein a plurality of fibers of said first material and a plurality of fibers of said second material are substantially fused together about the apertures.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to either Claim 1 wherein said first material is a nonwoven web.
4. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said second material is a nonwoven web.
5. (Currently Amended) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said second material has a bonded area greater than ~~the~~ a bonded area of the first material.
6. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said first and second materials each have an effective open area of at least about 15 percent.
7. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said first and second materials each have an effective open area of at least about 20 percent.

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8. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said first and second materials each have a plurality of apertures with a size of at least 1.0 square millimeter.
9. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said first and second materials each have a plurality of apertures with a size of at least 2.0 square millimeters.
10. (Previously presented) The laminate web according to Claim 1 wherein said second material has a width greater than that of said first material.
11. (Previously presented) A disposable absorbent article comprising a liquid pervious topsheet comprising the laminate web according to Claim 1.
12. (Previously presented) The disposable absorbent article of claim 11 further comprising a backsheet joined to said topsheet, and an absorbent core positioned between said topsheet and said backsheet.